

Crowley's Ridge Development Council, Inc. Jonesboro, AR

Project Title Asset Builders Club

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Grant Amount \$52,942

Nonfederal Support \$52,942

Project Period September 2004 – September 2009

Highlights The Asset Builders Club of Crowley's Ridge Development Council

will provide 60 IDAs: 34 for homeownership, 18 for post-secondary education, and 8 for microenterprise. The program will match

participant savings at a rate of \$2 to \$1.

The program will provide incentives and support to participants to enable them to increase their economic self-sufficiency through economic literacy training and asset accumulation. Thirteen

volunteers from five banks will provide financial literacy courses to

participants.

 Target Population
 Low- to moderate-income individuals and families throughout the

impoverished lower Mississippi Delta, specifically the Northeast Arkansas counties of Craighead, Crittenden, Cross, Greene, Jackson,

Poinsett, St. Francis, and Woodruff.

Grantee/Collaborative Description Crowley's Ridge Development Council, Inc. (CRDC) was organized

as a Community Action Agency in 1969. Serving Northeast Arkansas, CRDC's mission is to provide local leadership in the creation of opportunities for low-income and other disadvantaged individuals and families to lead economically and socially productive lives, children to develop into healthy adults, and communities to

become more prosperous and supportive of their residents.

Asset Builder Club local partners include faith-based organizations, housing authorities, State agencies, and financial instituations. Some partners are the Craighead County Department of Human Services, Marmaduke First Baptist Church, Mission Outreach of Northeast, Jonesboro Child Support Agency, Jonesboro Urban Renewal Housing Authority, Northeast Arkansas Council on Family Violence, and

Crittenden County Department of Human Services.